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# HAM BACKS OYSTER PLAN TO CLEAR UP

Full report on page 5.

Discontinuance of Impound on Electric Rates Would As-

## **ELAYTON OBJECTS TO**

### Commissioner Expects His Plan to Be Taken Up at P. E. P. Co.

Commissioner Oyster's plan to disimpound 11/2 cents of the ten-cent-perwhich would place additional funds at First-Degree Murder, With the disposal of the Washington Railway & Electric Company, today loomed as a possible solution of Washing-

under this plan, would pay no more for electric light and power than they are paying at present. Under a court ruling the Potomac Electric Power Company since last October has been impounding a cent and a prior to that time for an extended period it had impounded two cents of every ten cents collected. Each amount of the fund impounded to date is in excess of two million dollars. Mr. Ham said there is now being impounded annually under the one-cent-and-a-half ruling \$402,661. This amount would be available for street railway needs if the Oyster in the discassion and the propositions. The propositions is received that the propositions are pure fabrications, out of the minds of their writers, and are wholly unwarranted."

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Mrs. Kaber was carried back to her cell in the jail.

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bout two-thirds of the street railabout two-thirds of the street rail-way trackage in the District of Co-lumbia, the Capital Traction Com-pany owning the other one-third. Mr. Clayton asked if it did not follow as a logical result that the Washington Railway and Electric Company in order to furnish as good service as is furnished by the Capital Traction Company would have to operate twice as many cars.

Mr. Ham replied that if that was Mr. Clayton's conception of practical operating problems, it showed how little the Federation of Citizens' Association representative knew of the traction problem generally. Mr. Ham maintained that the Washington Railway and Electric Company service is equally as good as that of the competing line, but that it does not follow that it would have to operate twice as many cars because it has twice as many cars because it has twice as much trackage. He pointed out that schedules vary according to community needs, and that the Wash-ington Railway and Electric Company service, considering the needs that it meets, is as good, mile for mile, as that rendered by the Capital Traction

Mr. Clayton that the alternative of a zoning system suggested by the rail-way official in the event a sufficient uniform rate of fare is not promulgated by the commission has not been officially indorsed by the board of directors of the Washington Railway and Electric Company. Mr. Ham said the zoning plan had been discussed (Continued on Page 2, Column 4.)

# Today's News

President Harding adopts horseback riding as part of his health exercise.

dent is predicted. Dye tariff faces action in House today U. S. recovers \$20,000,000 taxes held ou through false returns.

Ellis Island employes indignantly pro-test against charges of graft. Page 8 Two new bills aimed at street car situa-tion in District. Page 16 D. C. waterfront conditions called a capital disgrace by committee.

### Quartet, at First Ice Cream Feast,

-Tasting ice cream for the first time in their lives, Joe Jable and his three sons, living in the mountains near Union-town, disposed of sixty-one platefuls of the delicacy at the

The quartet entered a local confectionery store and ordered "some of that stuff," indicating the ice cream a man beside them was enting. They continued until each had devoured fifteen dishes, with the father taking one extra. They then departed for home, apparently in a happy

The "feast" was witnessed by a number of persons, who gath-ered as dish after dish of the cream disappeared.

## MRS. KABER IS SENT All Officials Careful to Avoid Comment Which May Lead to Unfor-TO PRISON FOR LIFE

# Mercy, Is Verdict—No

Mrs. Kaber was said by her attorneys to have been practically unconscious last night while the jury was trying to reach a verdict. She had been carried from the courtroom and had not eaten during the day.

By a singular coincidence, the jury began balloting just two years—the third Friday in July—from the time Mr. Kaber was stabbed to death by assassins alleged to have been hired by Mrs. Kaber.

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Use Brother as Ruse.

brought in as a ruse, and her mother, Mrs. Mary Brickel, who was suspected of knowing much about the murder, was led to believe that the son was to be charged with the crime. The ruse worked as it had been planned. Mrs. Brickel, to save the son, is alleged to have confessed, implicating her daughter, Mrs. Kaber; Miss Marian McArdle, daughter of Mrs. Kaber; herself and others.

Events then followed fast. The grandmother, daughter and grand-daughter were indicted for first degree murder; also Mrs. Erminia Colavito, midwife-nurse; Salvatore Cala and Vittorio Pisselli, the latter two being charged with actual murder. All are awaiting trial excepting Pisselli, who has not been apprehended. Mrs. Kaber was the first to be placed on trial.

RETURNING FROM CHINA.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 16.—Col. M. W. Morrow, former commander of the American forces in China, arrived in San Francisco today on his way to Wasbington. He was succeeded as head of the American forces, with headquarters at Tientsin, by Col. W. F. Martin.

### Storm Makes Star Late

a break in the service of the Potomac Electric Power Company yesterday afternoon it caught The Star in the middle of its press run, delaying distribution for two hours. Work of putting The Star's auxiliary plant in commission was started at once and steam was up and the plant ready to operate when service was restored by the power company.

# **ULSTERITE PARLEY** MAY DECIDE FATE OF PEACE PLANS

Sir James Craig, After Talk With Premier, Awaits Word With His Cabinet Members.

SECRECY NOW SHROUDS STATUS OF SITUATION

tunate Misinterpretation.

LONDON, July 16,-What is hapenng behind the scenes in the consultaons of the Irish parties preliminary between Eamon de Valera and Premier Lloyd George on Monday is creened by what Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, termed this morning a rigid silence Sir James used this phrase in ex-plaining to interviewers his belief that everything depended upon the way the question was handled. "The slightest indiscretion or misinterpretation," he said, "may easily cause incalcuable harm. What will best aid the attainment of peace is for every one concerned to withhold comment outside of official consultations."

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street. No Deadlock Indicated. There was no suggestion that the brevity of yesterday's conversation between the prime minister and Mr. de Valera indicated they had reached de valera indicated they had reached a deadlock, nor was the postponement of the conference until Monday looked upon as significant of danger to the future of the negotiations. In fact, there seemed last night to be a relaxation of the tension which prevailed on Thursday and Friday, and he impression gained was that, while

FIGHT IF PEACE IS DENIED. Newspaper Declares Irish Will

Continue Armed Resistance.

de Valera and Prime Minister Lloyd
George in London, the Irish Bulletin
today declared:

"If a peaceful settlement should be
denied, the Irish people will resume
armed resistance to foreign domination. They possess the will and by
endurance the power to bring their
fight eventually to success."

Referring to the observance of the
truce arranged between the Irish republicans and crown forces in Ireland
the newspaper said it proved "there is
in the nation the discipline and
obedience to authority which is the
essence of successful self-government.
The surprise expressed by English
newspapers that the truce was kept
arises from the inability to understand the realities of the situation
which the British press consistently
has displayed."

SERIOUS RIOTING RENEWED.

MANCHESTER, England, July 15.—
Trial of Sink Fein prisoners charged with treason and felony in connection with widespread shootings and incendiarism which occurred in this vicinty early n June was concluded today. Of eighteen defendants two were discharged and sixteen found guilty, fifteen getting prison sentences. Two of the latter were sentenced to fifteen years' penal servitude, one to a ten-year term, four to seven years, seven to five years and one to three years.

Announcement of the sentences brought a great demonstration from sympathizers with the prisoners.

Structor.

Mrs. Harding Skilled Horsewoman.

Before her marriage to the President and for a number of years afterward Mrs. Harding was an ardent and accomplished horsewoman. She was then conceded to be one of the best riders in that section.

The President took it easy today, seeing only a handful of callers at the White House, and laying aside much of the routine mass of papers on his desk in order that he might exercise and rest. He was on the golf links before 8 o'clock and for more than two hours engaged in his favorite sport. He was accompanied by Sanators Hale and Kellogg.



IN HOUSE NEAR END.

SENATE

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Robert Rosenbluth of New York and suggested, the commission, therefore,

No Reason Assigned.

No reason was assigned for the decision. It was reached after Mr. Daugherty, at the suggestion of Senator Calder of New York, Secretary Hoover and others, had made a personal investigation.

Capt. Rosenbluth was arrested in New York March 23 last. The shooting occured at Camp Lewis in 1918, and an Army board of inquiry found that Maj. Cronkhite had accidentally shot himself while practicing with a revolver, shooting at a tobacco tin.

Subsequent investigation by the Justice Department resulted in the

Maj. Cronkinte was the soil of Maj. Gen. Adelbert Cronkhite, who commanded the 80th Division during the war, and the present investigation of the shooting began after the general's return from France.

# DUBLIN, July 16.—Commenting upon the conference between Eamon de Valera and Prime Minister Lloyd

Breeches for Test of Health Exercise.

President Harding has decided to take up horseback riding as an additional means of keeping himself physically fit and as a pleasing diversion from the grind of routine executive matters.

SERIOUS RIOTING RENEWED.

One Man Killed and Others Wounded in Belfast.

BELFAST, July 15.—One man was killed and four men and a girl wounded in a renewal of the rioting here tonight. A number of grocery stores in the east end of the city were burned. At a meeting of the Ulster cabinet tonight, called to consider the situation brought about by the intermittent rioting of the last few days, it was decided to make representations to Gen. Sir Nevil Macready, military commander in Ireland.

The heads of three Protestant churches in Belfast have issued an appeal to all those capable of exercising influence to exert their utmost endeavors to secure restoration of order and a renewal of friendly relations among all classes and denominations in the community.

SINN FEINERS IMPRISONED.

## Despite Proposal Made by U. S. league's disarmament commission's in-

a party to that treaty and the feeling any way with the league's disarmament move. Instead of adjourning its session immediately after convening, as had been suggested, the commission, therefore, will continue its sessions, expecting its work to be useful in a preparatory way for the Washington deliberations.

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Rene Viviani, France's representative and chairman of the committee, in opening the meeting declared that the Washington conference, instead of conflicting with the commission's study of disarmament, fitted in with such study.

M. Viviani devoted considerable time to discussing President Harding's plan. He argued that the leggue's disarmament work could only aid in accomplishing the objects seaght by the Washington meeting. The commission will submit a propert for the meeting of

opinion.

The view expressed by delegates in their remarks was that while the United States was declining contact with the league of nations, the forth-coming conference in Washington would find itself obliged to consider such conclusions as the league's commission might prepare.

It was also suggested that some of the delegates to the Washington conference would direct the attention of that conference to the results of the present sessions M. Engberg of Sweden is acting as substitute for Hjalmar Branting, the former Swedish premier, who was unable to be present that conference to the results of the present

Drifting Out to Sea in Small Boat

NORFOLK, Va., July 15.-Col. H. A. cussed at a conference between Gen. Dawes, in charge of the budget, and Public Printer George H. Carter, in charge of the government's print shop, in the office of Gen. Dawes today.

Following the conference Mr. Carter said, that developments had not yet reached the stage of great importance to the general plan, since the discussion today centered about general preliminary arrangements necessary.

During the coming year the printing office for Uncle Sam's government will be conducted on a strictly business basis, just as though it were a large commercial establishment. When departments send in orders for printing they must have appropriations ready to pay their printing bills. A general speeding up of the work and improvements in various sections of the building are among the contemplated items of the seatohaf for odlock yesterday by Lieut. M. M. Kimball, piloting Navy plan No. 3355 of the F-5-L type. The two men were in a sailboat ten miles northeast of Willoughby Beach. They had left their homes Thursday morning to go fishing. They were caught in a storm and their boat was carried togo fishing. They were caught in a storm besides being in constant danger of being run Jown by a passing boat. The Navy plane was sent in search of them. They were exhausted and unable to help themselves when found. Lieut. Kimball lifted the helpless men into his plane and brought them safely ashore. The rescue is the first of its kind ever made by an airplane so far as is known here. road, were snatched from death at 1

Mr. Carter Says Developments Have Railroad Officials Rescued After

the danger soon would be over.

TAMPICO, Mexico, July 16.-Follow-ers of Gen. Daniel Martines Herrerra

said they were discharged so the

### FOUR YEARS IN JAIL FOR GERMAN OFFICERS FIRING ON LIFEBOATS

LEIPZIG, Germany, July 16.—Lieut.

Dittmar and Lieut. Boldt, charged with murder in the first degree for firing on lifeboats after the Canadian hospital ship Llandovery Castle had been torpedoed in the sumtle had been torpedoed in the summer of 1918, were each sentenced today to four years' imprisonment.

The sentence did not, however, carry hard labor with it, as demanded by the public prosecutor. The case of Dittmar and Eoldt differed from the others which had been heard by the supreme court here in connection with trials growing out of violation of the rules of civilized warfare, inasmuch as the two lieutenants were brought to trial by the German public prosecutor.

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Great Britain only had demanded the trial of Commander Patsig of the submarine which torpedoed the Llandovery Castle, who fied the country. The public prosecutor, however, after an examination of the evidence, ordered that Dittman and Boldt be placed on trial.

## PRESIDENT 'WRONG,' SAYS LEGION HEAD

Commerce Associations" Against Bonus.

CHICAGO, July 16 .- The fight of the American Legion for the soldiers' bonus will be continued with renewed vigor, declared Maj. John G. Emery of Grand Rapids, Mich., national commander of the legion, in commenting today on the "side-tracking" of the bonus bill in the Senate. "We consider President Harding all

wrong in his attitude," he said. "Why, the Senate finance committee in its report declared untrue the claims that the Sweet bill and the adjusted compensation program would bankrupt the Treasury." Maj. Emery asserted the legion has a well defined program to fight for the bonus and this will not be modified.

"There was at first considerable

opposition in the legion itself to this program, but this has now subsided," he said. "Wherever it existed, it was on the part of men well off financially. We have now induced these men to devote their shares in the comto devote their shares in the com-pensation to the men who need it. There are now several millionaires among the strongest supporters the program has. The wounded and dis-abled men will be taken care of first and then will come those in financial straits, due to the war," Maj. Emery and.

## Mexican Authorities Assert Troubles in Oil Region Will End in Week.

MEXICO CITY, July 16.-War office authorities declared last night that the uprising in the state of Tamaulipas, led by Gen. Daniel Martinez Herrerra, would be put down in little more than a week. It was declared federal troops were being dispatched into the troubled district and that

President Obregon met newspaper men last night and seemed inclined not to treat the Herrera revolt seriously, asserting there were sufficient forces to suppress any trouble. He asserted the government intended to investigate the situation and determine what influences were behind the revolt and "treat them as oircumstances permit." Plutarco R. Calles, secretary of the interior, also said the uprising was not serious. Prisoners Charged With Treason.

the government.

It is reported that the exportation policy of American companies will be based upon estimates of the Mexican government's valuation of oil for the two months of July and August. It

## PHILIPPINE STATUS MAY BE DECIDED AT DISARMING PARLEY

TWO CENTS.

Guarantee of Territorial Intercity by Powers Factor in Independence.

### U. S. HOPES TO SAVE COST OF PROTECTING ISLANDS

Questions of Freedom to Be Domestic Affair, But May Be Expedited by Assurances.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE. The disarmament conference to be held here next fall may decide the future status of the Philippines. President Harding himself is not averse to a discussion of the Philippine question with other powers. Naturally the United States will not de-Washington. Banks and bate with any other government the question of when independence shall be granted, but, on the other hand, is ready to talk over international as-pects of the Philippine problem. In other words, when the United States grants independence to the Philip-pines will the other powers join in guaranteeing the territorial integrity of the Philippines? The proximity of Japan to the Philippines has led to the oft repeated

Philippines has led to the oft repeated statement on the part of public men in both Japan and the United States to the effect that the Philippines constitute a possible source of friction in the future. Former President Taft.at one time said in a public speech that Japan woud never seize the Philippines, because she could not colonize there on account of the climate. Target in Case of War.

Nevertheless, military and naval experts have always insisted that in a possible quarrel between the United States and Japan the latter would immediately land an expeditionary force and hold the Philippines in order to draw American forces to that region of the Pacific. This would make the United States carry the battle 3,000 miles away from American bases of supplies.

the senate, and was instrumental in finally preventing action. His reasons were never made public, but it is commonly supposed that international events caused the sudden change.

The world war had begun, and Japan had angaged in it with the definite purpose of achieving a dominant position in the far east. It was impossible at that time to rivet the attention of Great Britain and the other powers on the matter of neutralization of the Philippines, because all the powers were absorbed in the war against Germany. Feeling, therefore, that the time was not ripe for an international agreement to fix the status of the Philippines, Mr. Wilson postponed action. It is significant, however, that in his closing message to Congress last December he revived

to Congress last December he revived the issue and formally expressed the hope that independence would be granted the Phhilippines. Mindful of Aspirations.

President Harding is mindful of the aspirations of the Filipinos, but he is actuated also by a desire to save America future expense in maintain-America future expense in maintaining costly fortifications and military and naval forces in the Philippines, when, by international agreement, the Philippines could be made a matter of common concern to all the powers. Indeed, there would be no necessity for the maintenance of an American fleet in Asiatic waters if all the nations entered into a solemn agreement not to violate the independence of territorial integrity of the Philippines when they were set free by the United States.

The question of whether or not freedom shall be given the Philippines is

TRAMPICO. Mexico, July 16.—Followers of Gen. Daniel Martines Herrerra who are taken prisoners by government forces will be tried for treason, it is announced by Gen. Gomes, military commander here. He is in charged of operations against the rebels, and Gen. Pelaez, military governor of Tamaulipas, is expected to arrive here soon from Mexico City to take general supervision of the fight.

It is declared that Gen. Herrerra discovered he had an opportunity to start a revoit because of the partial disarmament of forces commanded by Gen. Pelaez, and that he was actuated by personal enmity to the governor of the state of Vera Cruz, who recently sent troops to the Zacamixta district, south of here.

Gov. Lopez y Lara is hurrying the departure of oil field workmen who were laid off recently, fearing there is danger that they may join the revolutionists. It was asserted here yesterday that some oil companies, apprehending difficulty in obtaining workmen later, were willing to recemploy the men they recently discharged.

Gov. Lopes y Lara states he will demand that the oil companies pay workmen, laid off without justification, demnities amounting to their wages for three months. The oil ompanies assert that the number of men laid off by them is not as great as reported, claiming that many have said they were discharged so that they might obtain assistance from the government.

HARA URGED TO ATTEND.

Japanese Party Wants Premier in

based upon estimates of the Mexican government's valuation of oil for the two months of July and August. It is said that if it is found the companies can export oil at a profit, the shipment of petroleum will be resumed. This matter, however, is in the hands of the directors of the companies in New York and Mexico City, the only departments of the concerns having offices here being those concerned with production.

LIGHTNING KILLS TWO.

GREENVILLE, S. C., July 16.—
While eating supper with the family, Thomas and David Odam, aged ten and eight years, respectively, were instantly killed by a bolt of lightning which struck the house. The family lives in the upper section of the county. Other members were stunned but not seriously hart.

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PRESENT CONSIDERATION

Hearing Monday. continue the requirement upon the Potomac Electric Power Company to

con's traffic porblems, although Engineer Commissioner Kutz prevented consideration of the plan at today's street railway hearing before the Public Utilities Commission.

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Zoning System Discussed. the course of his cross-examina-of Mr. Ham it was developed by Clayton that the alternative of a

# in Paragraphs

Future status of Philippines may be decided at disarmament conference here. The Senate, amid turbulent scenes, votes to recommit soldiers' bonus bill to finance committee for consideration Amalgamation of the government air-eraft services as favored by the Presi-

Senator Reed criticises loan refunding and Senator Glass reads Wilson tele-Campaign to mark historic sites to be Greek troops capture important points.
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## Has 61 Platefuls Special Dispatch to The Star. GRANTSVILLE, Md., July 16

Arat sitting.

Unconscious 41: Night.

assassins alleged to have been hired by Mrs. Kaber.

Though Mrs. Kaber was suspected of being implicated in her husband's death at the time, insufficient evidence was found then by officials by which to formally charge her with the grime. For two years Moses Kaber, the aged father of the murdered man, doggedly kept working on the mystery with the aid of private detectives, suspicion pointing stronger and stronger toward Mrs. Keber

Finally a brother of Mrs. Kaber was brought in as a ruse, and her mother, Mrs. Mary Brickel, who was suspect-

When the storm caused

No Reason Assigned

revolver, shooting at a tobacco tin.
Subsequent investigation by the Justice Department resulted in the arrest of Sergt. Pothier in Providence and a series of statements by him, some of which were contradictory, alleging that he had been ordered by Capt. Rosenbluth to "get" Maj. Cronkhite.

The captain's arrest followed and he was recently given a hearing at the Department of Justice. Mr. Daugherty later conferring with District Attorney Hayward of New York, to whom actual direction of proceedings in New York had been turned over.

Maj. Cronkhite was the son of Maj

Orders Boots and Riding

# PARIS, July 16.—The temporary mixed commission for the reduction of armaments appointed by the league of nations, decided today that the conference on this question to be called by President Harding would not conflict in

The chairman's attitude was approved by H. A. I. Fisher, Great British's regression should continue its labors.
The other delegates, including Dr. Rivas Vicuna of Chile and Senator Carlo Schanzer of Italy, concurred in this opinion.

The commission will submit a report for the meating of the league absembly, to be presented at the September meeting of that body.

After the close of today's session Mr. Fisher said the results of the commission's work undoubtedly would be placed before the Washington conference by some delegate.

## GEN. DAWES CONFERS ON PLANS WITH PRINTER

Not Beached Stage of

Efficient arrangement and apportionment of government printing work Washington and R. A. Matthews, offiduring the coming fiscal year was dis- cials of the Seaboard Air Line Railussed at a conference between Gen.

## PLANE SAVES TWO MEN FROM A WATERY GRAVE

# **Good Summer Fiction**

In the Magazine of

Tomorrow's Star One of the best prize ring stories ever written, by Gerald Beaumont.

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